Department of Health & Human Services Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services 61 Forsyth St., Suite 4T20 Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8909



November 24, 2009

RECEIVED

NOV 3 0 2009

Department of Health & Human Services
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Emma Forkner, Director Department of Health and Human Services Post Office Box 8206 Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206

Dear Ms Forkner:

I am pleased to inform you that your request to amend South Carolina's home and community-based waiver which serves individuals with head and spinal cord injuries has been approved. This amendment, control number 0284.R03.01, has an effective date of January 1, 2010.

Specifically, you requested to adjust service limitations on attendant care and waiver nursing services. Limits on attendant care will be 49 hours per week (reduced from 56 hrs. per week) and not to exceed ten hours per day when combined with nursing services. The following estimates of unduplicated recipients and the average per capita cost of the waiver services have been approved:

<u>Year</u>	Unduplicated Recipients	Factor D	Total Expenditures
2	842	\$ 27,630	\$ 23,254,460
3	892	\$ 28,541	\$ 25,458,572
4	945	\$ 29,293	\$ 27,681,885
5	998	\$ 29,619	\$ 29,559,762

We appreciate the effort and cooperation provided by your staff during our review of this request. The revised pages have been incorporated into the approved waiver. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kenni Howard at (404) 562-7413.

Sincerely,

Mary Kaye Justis, RN, MBA

J. David Greser

Acting Associate Regional Administrator

Division of Medicaid and Children's Health Operations

cc: Mark Reed, Central Office